

English Language Proficiency of Spanish-Speaking Population

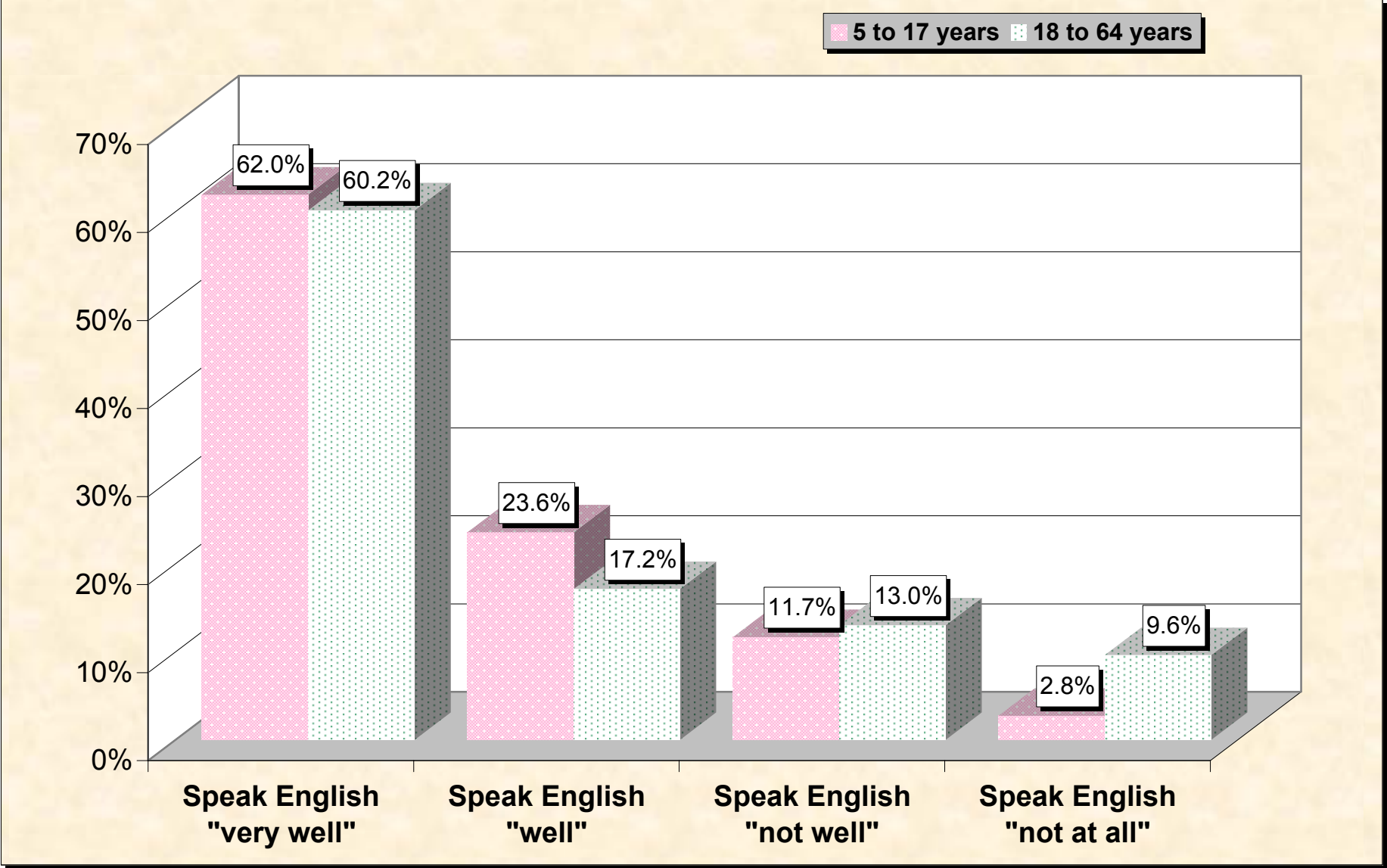
Dona Ana County, New Mexico

Data Set: Census 2000 Summary File 3 (SF 3) - Sample Data

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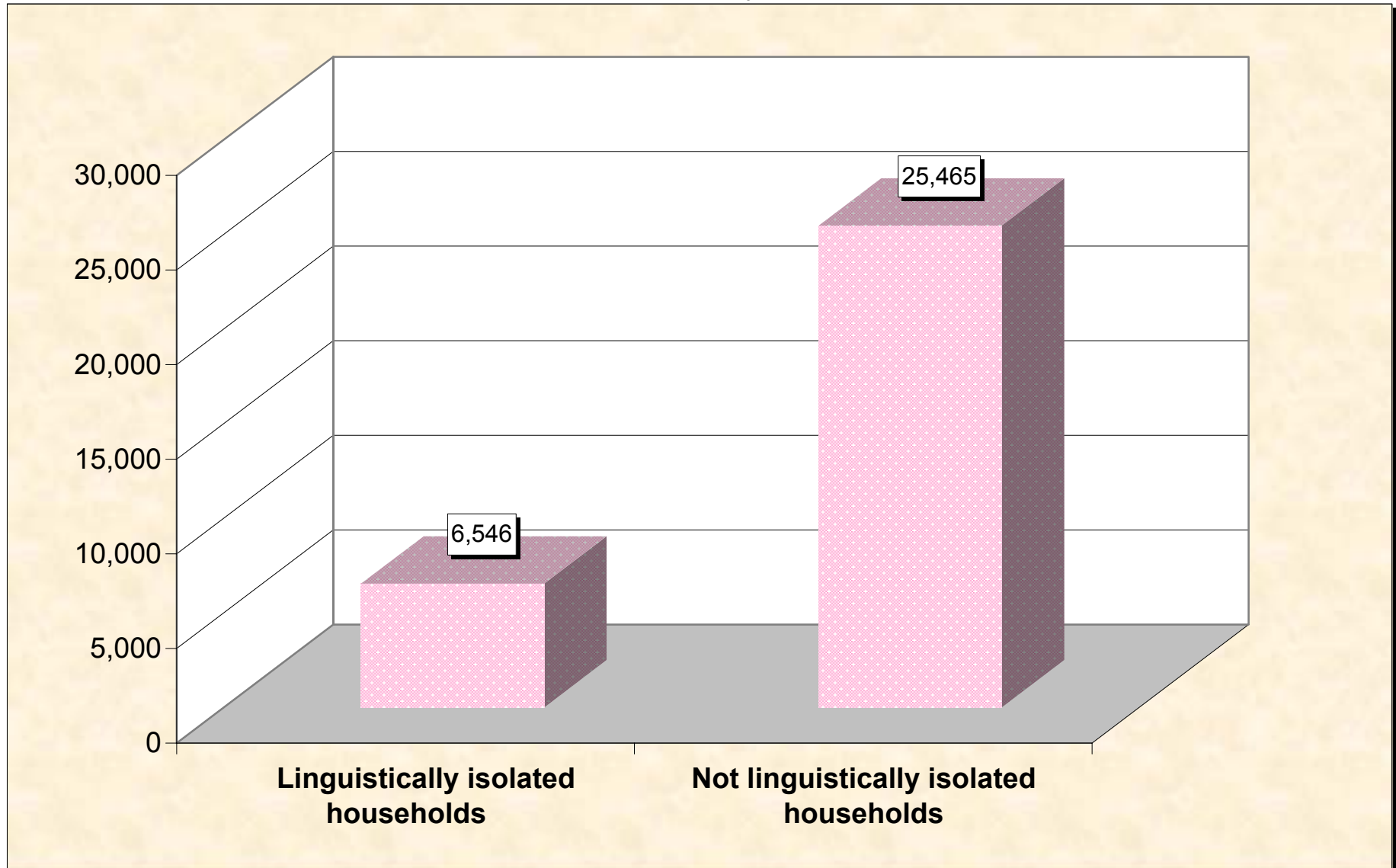
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Chart 1 -- English Proficiency by Age for Persons who Speak Spanish at Home Dona Ana County, New Mexico



Source: Data Set: Census 2000 Summary File 3 (SF 3) - Sample Data - P19. AGE BY LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH FOR THE POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER [67] - Universe: Population 5 years and over

Chart 2 -- Linguistic Isolation of Spanish Language Households Dona Ana County, New Mexico



Note: A **linguistically isolated Spanish language household** is one in which **no member** 14 years old and over (1) speaks only English or (2) speaks Spanish and speaks English "very well." In other words, all members 14 years old and over have at least some difficulty with English.

AGE BY LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH FOR THE POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER

source data for Chart 1

Dona Ana County, New Mexico

	5 to 17 years:	18 to 64 years:	65 years and over:
Total:			
161,181			
	38,330	104,116	18,735
Speak only English	16,625	46,416	10,513
Speak Spanish:	21,341	55,598	7,806
Speak English "very well"	13,223	33,454	3,167
Speak English "well"	5,036	9,542	1,597
Speak English "not well"	2,495	7,241	1,375
Speak English "not at all"	587	5,361	1,667
Speak other Indo-European languages:	221	1,143	319
Speak English "very well"	164	925	250
Speak English "well"	44	192	55
Speak English "not well"	13	11	14
Speak English "not at all"	0	15	0
Speak Asian and Pacific Island languages:	89	483	53
Speak English "very well"	75	267	9
Speak English "well"	14	159	30
Speak English "not well"	0	47	14
Speak English "not at all"	0	10	0
Speak other languages:	54	476	44
Speak English "very well"	22	353	44
Speak English "well"	20	109	0
Speak English "not well"	5	14	0
Speak English "not at all"	7	0	0

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HOUSEHOLD LANGUAGE BY LINGUISTIC ISOLATION

source data for Chart 2

Dona Ana County, New Mexico	
Total:	59,479
English	25,857
Spanish:	32,011
Linguistically isolated	6,546
Not linguistically isolated	25,465
Other Indo-European languages:	1,025
Linguistically isolated	64
Not linguistically isolated	961
Asian and Pacific Island languages:	333
Linguistically isolated	83
Not linguistically isolated	250
Other languages:	253
Linguistically isolated	32
Not linguistically isolated	221

Note: A **linguistically isolated household** is one in which **no member** 14 years old and over (1) speaks only English or (2) speaks a non-English language and speaks English "very well." In other words, all members 14 years old and over have at least some difficulty with English.

Source: Data Set: Census 2000 Summary File 3 (SF 3) - Sample Data - P20. HOUSEHOLD LANGUAGE BY LINGUISTIC ISOLATION [14] - Universe: Households